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Course Unit Program
Administrative Organization Law

Academic Year 2025/2026

1. Organic Unit

Faculty of Law

2. Course

LAW

3. Cycle

1st

4. Course Unit

Administrative Organization Law (02310)

5. Scientific Area

6. Curricular Year

1st

7. Type of Curricular Unit / Semester

2nd Semester

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8. Class type and workload (work time)

Theoretical classes:	30,00
Practical classes:	15,00
Theoretical-Practical Classes	
Tutorial Guidance:	20,00

9. ECTS Credits

6,00

10. Scientific Area Coordinator

Prof. Doutor AFONSO FILIPE PEREIRA DE OLIVEIRA MARTINS

11. Regent

Prof. Doutor ANTÓNIO MANUEL DE ALMEIDA SANTOS CORDEIRO, Prof. Doutor LUIS MANUEL BARBOSA RODRIGUES

12. Assistants

Drª SILVIA MARIA GALVÃO TELLES FRANCO PULIDO PEREIRA

13. Teaching Language

Portuguese

14. General Objectives

To contribute to a basic understanding of Administrative Law, promoting knowledge of the Portuguese system of administrative organisation and, in particular, the general regime to which administrative institutions are subject.

15. Specific Objectives

To promote the learning of the concepts, principles and legal solutions considered most relevant for the understanding of the organisational reality and of a common background for the regulation of Public Administrations in the Portuguese legal system and in the European context.

16. Skills to be acquired

Understanding the logic of administrative organisation that prevails in particular in portuguese legal system, enabling students to know the statute of the administrative institutions , to solve legal-practical issues related to the organisation and functioning of Public Administrations and to develop specialised studies.

17. Teaching Methodology

The teaching will be developed in theoretical and practical aspects, framing in collective teaching sessions the individual learning efforts to be carried out by the students.

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18. Course Unit Program

INTRODUCTION
1.Concept of Public Administration
2.Concept of Administrative Organisation
3.The Law of Administrative Organisation and Administrative Law
4.Systems of Administrative Organisation
CHAPTER I
LEGAL THEORY OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANISATION
1.Public legal persons. Concept and classifications
2.Personality and legal-public capacity
3.Objectives of public legal persons.
4.The organs of public legal persons. Collegial organs, in particular
5.The competence of administrative organs and the problem of their delegation
6.Public services
7.Administrative agents and positions
8.Administrative tutelage and superintendence
9.Administrative hierarchy
CHAPTER II
CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES OF PORTUGUESE ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANISATION
1. The principles of administrative decentralisation and subsidiarity
2. The principle of administrative deconcentration
4. The principle of bringing services closer to the people
5. The principle of participation of stakeholders in the management of public administration
CHAPTER III
THE PORTUGUESE STATE ADMINISTRATION
1.The Direct State Administration. The position of the Government of the Republic. Structure
2.The State public institutes
3.The State public enterprises
CHAPTER IV
THE PORTUGUESE AUTONOMOUS REGIONAL ADMINISTRATION
1.The Direct Autonomous Regional Administration. The position of the Regional Governments.Structure
2.Institutes and regional public enterprises
3.The relations between the Autonomous Regions and the State.
CHAPTER V
PORTUGUESE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
1.Local authorities. General considerations
2.The municipality. Organisational and associative regime. Municipalised services, foundations and municipal companies.
3.The fregudesia. Organisational and associative regime
4.Local authorities and public inter-subjective relations.
CHAPTER VI
PUBLIC ASSOCIATIONS AND PRIVATE PERSONS OF PUBLIC UTILITY IN PORTUGAL

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1.Public associations
2.Private persons of public utility

19. Assessment Methods

Relevant elements, according to the regulatory provisions: attendance; oral intervention; elaboration and defence of written works; two mandatory written tests. These elements will be weighted for the purpose of assigning the continuous assessment classification under the terms of art. 8 of the Compl. Reg. of Assessment of Knowledge and Competences

20. Didactic Resources

Availability in the Library and Documentation Centers of adequate and up-to-date bibliography and access to legal databases.

21. Sustainability Objectives

Promote the rule of law and guarantee equality and universal access to justice.
Contribute to responsible, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at all levels.

22. Keywords

Administrative Law/Administrative Organization/Public Administration

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23. Main Bibliography

Author(s):	Diogo Freitas do Amaral		
Title:	Curso de Direito Administrativo, vol. I		
Edition:	4ª edição Reimp.	Year:	2022
Local:	Coimbra		
Publisher:	Almedina		

Author(s):	Pedro Costa Gonçalves		
Title:	Manual de Direito Administrativo, Vol. I		
Edition:	1ª Edição Reimp.	Year:	2020
Local:	Coimbra		
Publisher:	Almedina		

Author(s):	J.M. Sérvulo Correia/Francisco Paes Marques		
Title:	Noções de Direito Administrativo vol.I		
Edition:	2ª	Year:	2021
Local:	Coimbra		
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24. Complementary Bibliography

Author(s):	José Carlos Vieira de Andrade		
Title:	Lições de Direito Administrativo		
Edition:	7ª	Year:	2025
Local:	Coimbra		
Publisher:	Imprensa da Universidade de Coimbra		

Author(s):	Ana F. Neves		
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